

# State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council

## Minutes for Conference Call

Sunday, December 15, 2013

8:00pm – 9:00 pm - All Members – Statewide

Dial: 1 (866) 685-1580

Conference Code: 51 52 81 65 09 #

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**Members Present:** Sai Abbaraju, Rohan Aggarwal, Joel Baumann, Nick Beckwith Aaron Britt, Jacob Bundt, Anne Edwards, Agatha Fenech, Pablo Haake, Mary Korch, Jake Mathahs, Jenna McCoy, Katie Melbourne, Gina Mostafa, Sruthi Palaniappan, Zachary Parle, Danielle Reyes, Luke Theuma, Benjamin Votroubek, and Cody Woodruff

**Members Absent:** Rekha Karuparthy

**Staff Present:** Betsy Penisten

### I. Roll Call and Announcements

Theuma took roll call. Haake reminded the council about the AMP agenda that was handed out at the meeting. If a member did not attend the meeting, Haake told them to review the agenda that was sent via e-mail.

### II. Approve Minutes from December 11, 2013

Aggarwal changed his name from present to absent. Woodruff changed unanimous vote for the tanning bill to one nay. The minutes were tabled, and Aggarwal motioned to approve the minutes from the second quarter meeting. Theuma seconded. The council unanimously agreed to approve the minutes.

### III. Review of Second Quarter Meeting

Haake summarized the meeting.

### IV. Discussion on Meeting

Beckwith gave recommendations about how to improve the meetings. He urges everyone to follow and review Robert's Rules. Any endeavors committees start must be voted on by the general group.

### V. Officer Updates

Service: Korch is waiting for an e-mail from Molly about the Book Drive. She urged everyone to think about Global Youth Service Day in April.

Public Relations: Fenech will have the article about Karuparthy's trip by Wednesday and the Suggestion Box article will be done by Christmas. The

Youth Experts Paper will be done by the end of winter break to distribute to Congress.

Legislative Affairs: Mathahs is transitioning and getting his committee more involved. He is splitting the legislative contact list. One of his tasks is also to edit position papers.

## **VI. Committee Updates**

Health Committee: Mostafa is working on Team Nutrition. Melbourne and Bundt are working on the tanning position statement and contacting legislators for the bill as well. The Drugs and Alcohol video is in progress. McCoy is emailing schools in order to get suggestions for the video. She will be making a Google doc for this.

Mental Health Committee: Abbaraju is waiting for recommendations regarding the suicide prevention bill. He is also working on having better communication throughout his committee and on position statements for both bills. He would also like to see more involvement with IYC.

Education Committee: Palanappian talked to the legislators about the Standardized Testing bill and they suggested amending it. The position statement for the Public Tuition Bill is completed, but Kephart is waiting for a sponsor. For the suggestion box, Woodruff and the rest of his committee are waiting to see the response.

## **VII. Other Business/Public Comments**

Woodruff motions to extend the call a few minutes. Votroubek seconded. The council unanimously agreed to extend the call. The next conference call will be on December 29, 2013.

## **VIII. Meeting Adjourns**

Theuma moved to adjourn the meeting. Korch seconded. The council unanimously agreed to adjourn.